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Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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 Application No.: 09/837714
 Filed: April 18, 2001
 Title: Method of Making a Filtering Face Mask that has an Exhalation Valve

Confirmation No.: 9172

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114** *Note:* If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless Applicant instructs otherwise. If Applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, Applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office Action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office Action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
 i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ____.
 ii. ☐ Other:
 b. ☐ Enclosed:
 i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
 ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/Supplemental IDS
 iv. ☐ Other:

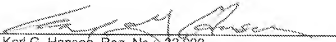
2. ☐ A Request for Extension of Time is being filed concurrently.

3. **Fees:** The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- ☐ The Director is authorized to charge the RCE fee required by 37 CFR § 1.17(e) to Deposit Account No. 13-3723. A duplicate copy of this transmittal for fees processing is enclosed.
☒ The RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) will be made at the time of submission via EFS-Web.
☒ If necessary, charge any required RCE fee, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

Respectfully submitted,

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 Date

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